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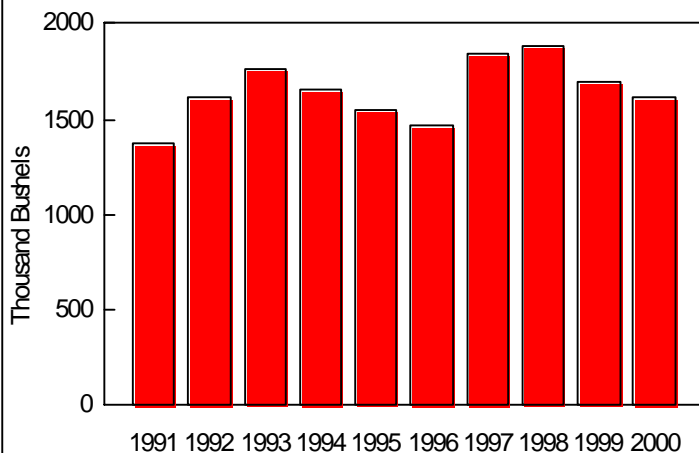
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The winter wheat crop in Maryland is expected to yield an average of 62 bushels per acre, based on June 1 conditions. This average yield, combined with harvested acreage of 205,000 acres, translates to an overall production level of 12,710,000 bushels, six percent above the successful 1999 harvest. The average yield will be two bushels per acre above last year's average of 60 bushels per acre but 2 bushels below the May forecast. According to the weekly Maryland Crop Progress and Condition Report, the condition of the wheat crop for the week ending June 4th was 12 percent excellent, 71 percent good, 14 percent fair, and 3 percent poor to very poor. Soil moisture reports are above last year also; most areas are adequate now compared to short or very short a year ago.



Winter Wheat Production, U.S. 1991- 2000



U.S. winter wheat production is forecast at 1.62 billion bushels, down 5 percent from 1999. Based on conditions June 1, the U.S. yield is forecast at 46.7 bushels per acre, 1.1 bushels less than last year's record high. Record yields are forecast in Ohio and North Carolina. Maryland's record high was 68 bushels per acre in 1997. Grain area for harvest totals 34.7 million acres, down 2 percent from last season. Texas is expecting high abandonment.

¹ Forecast for 2000.

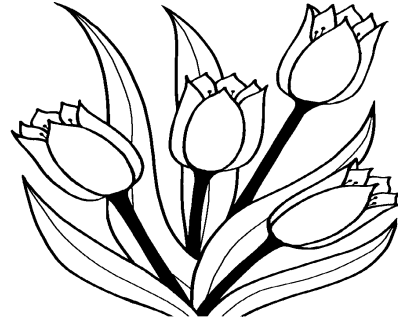
ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION 1999 AND 2000

Commodity	Unit	Planted		Harvested		Average Yield		Production	
		1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Maryland		----- 1,000 Acres -----						---- 1,000 ----	
Corn ¹	ACR	470	470	---	---	---	---	---	---
Corn Grain	BU	---	---	360	---	93	---	33,480	---
Corn Silage	TON	---	---	100	---	11	---	1,100	---
Soybeans	BU	490	470	480	---	30	---	14,400	---
Winter Wheat	BU	215	220	200	205	60	62	12,000	12,710
Barley	BU	55	60	50	---	80	---	4,000	---
All Hay	TON	---	---	210	220	2.51	---	528	---
Alfalfa Hay	TON	---	---	60	---	2.8	---	168	---
Other Hay	TON	---	---	150	---	2.4	---	360	---
Tobacco	LBS	---	---	6.5	6.0	1,400	---	9,100	---
Summer, Potatoes	CWT	4.8	---	4.7	---	240	---	1,128	---
United States								---1,000,000---	
Corn ¹	ACR	77,431	77,881	---	---	---	---	---	---
Corn Grain	BU	---	---	70,537	---	133.8	---	9,437	---
Corn Silage	TON	---	---	6,062	---	15.9	---	96	---
Soybeans	BU	73,780	74,871	72,476	---	36.5	---	2,643	---
Wheat, Winter	BU	43,431	43,245	35,572	34,709	47.8	46.7	1,700	1,622
Barley	BU	5,223	5,733	4,758	---	59.2	---	282	---
All Hay	TON	---	---	63,160	63,052	2.52	---	159	---
Alfalfa Hay	TON	---	---	23,985	---	3.5	---	84	---
Other Hay	TON	---	---	39,175	---	1.92	---	75	---
Tobacco	LBS	---	---	644.3	500.7	1,980	---	1,275	---
Summer Potatoes	CWT	69.1	---	64.2	---	298	---	19	---

¹ Acres planted is for all purposes.

FLORICULTURE

The Floriculture Survey is conducted annually in 36 states, covering over 40 floriculture crops including cut flowers, flowering potted plants, foliage, bedding/garden plants, and cut cultivated greens. The survey is limited to operations that grow and sell \$100,000 or more of floriculture crops.



A copy of the full report can be obtained at www.usda.gov/nass/pubs/estindx.htm#floriculture or by calling 1-800-675-0295.

Floriculture Crops: Wholesale Value of Sales, Maryland and United States, 1997-1999^{1,2}						
Category	Maryland			United States³		
	1997	1998	1999	1997	1998	1999
-----1,000 Dollars-----						
Cut Flowers	1,719	1,298	228	471,595	411,595	425,958
Potted Flowering Plants	6,403	7,522	6,971	722,869	736,837	764,983
Foliage Plant for Indoor or Patio	1,073	3,321	516	499,964	502,501	509,243
Bedding/ Garden Plants	24,666	37,882	38,145	1,746,959	1,872,610	1,946,652
Cut Cultivated Greens	6	3	0	116,184	117,689	127,260
Total	33,867	47,415	45,860	3,557,545	3,641,232	3,774,096

¹ For Operations with Annual Sales of \$100,000 or more.

² Equivalent wholesale value of all sales.

³ 36 Major Producing States.

Bedding Plants: Quantity Sold and Wholesale Value of Sales, Maryland, 1997-1999¹					
Category	Quantity Sold			Wholesale Value of Sales²	
	1998	1999	Intended 2000	1998	1999
--1,000 Flats--				-----1,000 Dollars-----	
Geranium, Flats	200	15	16	1,284	93
Impatiens, Flats	251	158	164	1,757	1,223
New Guinea Impatiens Flats	9	15	15	81	115
Petunia, Flats	123	160	162	843	1,168
Other Flowering & Foliar Type Bedding Plants	765	658	598	5,753	5,422
Vegetable Type Bedding Plants Flats	57	99	86	422	713

¹ For Operations with Annual Sales of \$100,000 or more.

² Equivalent wholesale value of all sales.

JULY RELEASE CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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